



Urban Growth Boundary Adoption - Fact Sheet

What is the urban growth boundary?

The urban growth boundary (UGB) is the cornerstone of land use planning in Oregon. It is the line that separates urban uses from rural uses with the aim of protecting our farm and forest lands while making sure we have enough space for the needs of a growing urban population to live, work and play. Every city in Oregon is required to have an urban growth boundary, which must contain enough land for housing, employment, parks and schools for the next 20 years of projected population growth.

The Cities of Eugene and Springfield have shared a common UGB since 1982. As part of Envision Eugene, we will adopt our first ever Eugene-specific UGB. We've listened to the community and completed a lot of technical analysis that together, guide where, when and how we should grow based on our shared community values. We learned that we can meet our needs for the next 20 years for most homes and businesses inside our current UGB. In addition to creating a UGB that will be *distinct from Springfield's UGB*, Eugene's UGB will become *parcel-specific*, more clearly defining which properties are inside and outside of Eugene's UGB, and it will *expand* to meet the anticipated need for jobs, parks and schools. Through Envision Eugene we have also learned that there is interest in monitoring development trends and planning for more than 20 years into the future.



QUICK FACTS

- We're adopting our own, Eugene-specific UGB
- The new UGB is expanded to bring in more land for jobs, parks and a school
- Tell us what you think! Visit envisioneugene.org to provide input.

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How will the UGB be adopted?

Our UGB must be formally adopted by both the City of Eugene and Lane County. First, the Eugene and Lane County Planning Commissions will review the set of documents (Draft 1 of the “UGB adoption package”) that are needed to adopt our new UGB. Their review will include a public hearing and will result in their recommendation on adoption. Based on that recommendation, adjustments may be made, and a second draft (Draft 2 of the “UGB adoption package”) will go through a public hearing process with the City of Eugene City Council and the Lane County Board of Commissioners. These elected bodies will make a decision on adoption. The Oregon Land Conservation and Development Commission (LCDC), which oversees the statewide land use program, must then acknowledge the new urban growth boundary for it to go into effect.

What will the “UGB adoption package” include?

The set of documents required for adoption of our UGB (‘the adoption package’) cover three main areas:

- 1) **How the UGB was determined.** This includes analysis and legal documents about how much Eugene is expected to grow, how much land is needed to accommodate the growth, and what type of land will meet the various identified needs for housing, jobs, and public uses like schools, parks and utilities.
- 2) **Where the UGB is located.** These documents show the precise location of the entire UGB.
- 3) **How the UGB will work.** Policies and zoning codes provide details about policies to guide future growth, how land will be developed for its intended use and how it will be served by transportation and public facilities.



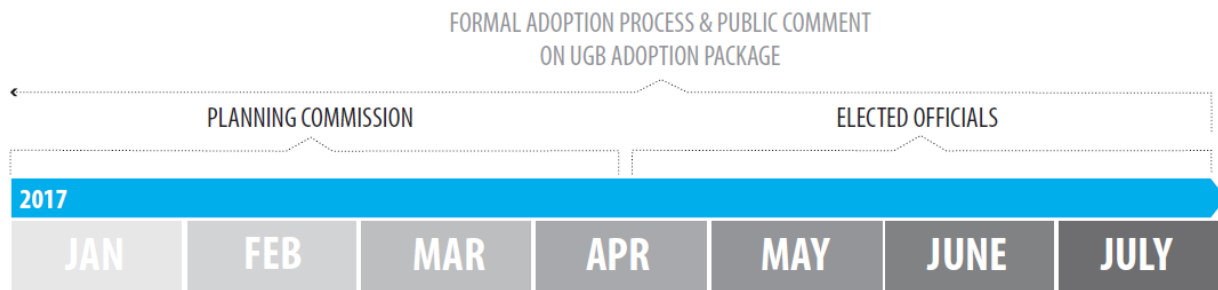
When will the UGB be adopted?

The formal adoption process takes time. The timeline below shows the phases of community outreach and public review by the planning commissions and elected officials.

2016



2017



How do I give feedback on the UGB?

Fall 2016/Winter 2017- The UGB expansion and full UGB adoption package of materials must go through a formal adoption process anticipated to start in late 2016. This process will include work sessions, public hearings, and an opportunity for public comment before the Eugene and Lane County Planning Commissions followed by the Eugene City Council and Lane County Board of Commissioners. The City Council will eventually decide on the UGB adoption package. Go to envisioneugene.org and see the *Get Involved!* page for the latest on events and other opportunities.

Need more details?

For more information about the specific components of the UGB adoption package, including materials proposed for adoption and fact sheets, visit www.eugene-or.gov and see the *Adopting Our Urban Growth Boundary* page.